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Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Jason B. Shrake, DOB 5/24/72, of Tomah, Wisconsin was arraigned yesterday on charges that he distributed sexually explicit material involving minors on March 20, 2005. A federal grand jury sitting in Madison returned an indictment against the defendant on September 14, 2005.

The criminal complaint, filed on September 11, 2005, alleges that defendant knowingly distributed three videos containing child pornography via e-mail to an undercover law enforcement agent. A copy of the complaint is attached.

The charges against defendant are the result of an investigation conducted by the New Orleans and Madison resident agencies of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Prosecution of this case has been assigned to Assistant U.S. Attorney Meredith P. Duchemin.

You are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA) Case No. 05-99-M-X
v.) COMPLAINT FOR VIOLATION OF) TITLE 18, UNITED STATES
JASON SHRAKE,) CODE, SECTION 2252A)
Defendant.))
BEFORE United States Magistrate Judge Stephen L. Crocker	United States District Court 120 North Henry Street Madison, Wisconsin 53703
The undersigned complainant bein	ng duly sworn states:
On or about March 20, 2005, in the	Western District of Wisconsin, the defendant,
knowingly transported and shipped in in	terstate commerce, via computer, three videos
containing child pornography.	
(In violation of Title 18, Un	nited States Code, Section 2252A).
This complaint is based on the atta	ached affidavit of David R. Hall, Jr.
DAVID R. H. Federal Burea	ALL, JR. u of Investigation
Sworn to before me this 11th day of	of September, 2005.
	E STEPHEN L. CROCKER
United States	Magistrate Judge

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	<u>AFFIDAVIT</u>	

I, David R. Hall, Jr., being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and states as

STATE OF WISCONSIN)

DANE COUNTY

follows:

) ss.

- 1. I am a Special Agent (SA) with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). I have been employed with the FBI for 3½ years. I am currently assigned to the Madison Resident Agency of the Milwaukee Division of FBI. Part of my duties as a SA is to investigate violations of federal criminal law, including violations of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2252 and 2252A, which criminalize the possession, receipt and transmission of child pornography.
- 2. This complaint is based on an investigation conducted by the FBI Office in New Orleans, Louisiana and the FBI Office in La Crosse, Wisconsin. The details of this investigation have been conveyed to me by SA James Hopp of the La Crosse Resident

Agency of the FBI, whom I believe to be reliable because he is a fellow law enforcement officer gathering information during the course of his official duties.

- 3. I submit that, based on the information described below, probable cause exists to believe that Jason Shrake knowingly and intentionally distributed child pornography on or about March 20, 2005. Since this affidavit is being submitted for the limited purpose of establishing probable cause, I have not included each and every fact known to me concerning this investigation. I have set forth only the facts that I believe are necessary to establish probable cause to believe that Jason Shrake violated 18 U.S.C. § 2252A.
- 4. On March 20, 2005, an FBI Undercover Agent (UCA) out of the New Orleans Division conducted a chat session with an individual using the Yahoo! screen name "c_criel". A copy of this chat session is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein. In summary, the UCA met the individual in a Yahoo! chatroom and asked "c_criel" to "send me a couple vids". During the time period of approximately 12:32a.m. to 2:09a.m. CST, the individual sent the UCA three movies of suspected child pornography titled: 100.wmv, %25Czech_8.mpeg.mpeg, and pedo+mom+%26+13+y+old+son.mpg.
- 5. SA Hopp reviewed a CD rom containing the three movies sent to the UCA by "c_criel". The movies depict the following: movie title-100.wmv (an adult male having sexual intercourse with a pre-pubescent female, who appeared to be under 10 years of age), movie title-%25Czech_8.mpeg.mpeg (a pre-pubescent female, who

appeared to be under 10 years of age, performing oral sex on an adult male) and movie title-pedo+mom+%26+13+y+old+son.mpg (an adult female performing oral sex on a juvenile male).

- 6. Through information obtained from YAHOO and Century Telephone Ent., Inc., FBI agents were able to determine that the user "c_criel" was associated with 532 Williams Street in Tomah, Wisconsin.
- 7. On September 9, 2005, agents from the La Crosse Resident Agency of the FBI executed a federal search warrant at 532 Williams Street in Tomah, Wisconsin. While executing the warrant, SA Hopp made contact with an individual who identified himself as Jason Shrake. Among other things, Mr. Shrake admitted the following:
 - He was the individual identified by user "c_criel" in the chat session represented in Exhibit A;
 - He sent the UCA the three videos via e-mail and knew when he sent them that they were illegal child pornography;
 - He sent videos containing child pornography to around 30 people;
 - While working at the Sandrige Treatment Center, a facility for sex offenders, he became curious about child pornography;
 - He began searching for and viewing child pornography on the internet approximately one to two years ago;
 - After he began viewing child pornography on the internet, he also began distributing and trading child pornography on the internet; and

-	He used "restore" every week in an attempt to clear his computer of any
	child pornography.
	Dated this 9th day of September, 2005.
	/S/
	Special Agent David R. Hall, Jr.
	Federal Bureau of Investigation
Sworn	n to before me this 11th day of September, 2005.
	/S/
	Magistrate Judge Stephen Crocker